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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
CHIKARA IMAIZUMI, ET AL.	)	Examiner: Unassigned
Application No.: 10/080,674	)	Group Art Unit: 2852
Filed: February 25, 2002	)	
For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS	)	May 8, 2002
AND ROTARY BODY DETECTION	)	
DEVICE	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

FOREIGN PATENTS

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>
4-234064	Japan	August 21, 1992
4-172376	Japan	June 19, 1992

### REMARKS

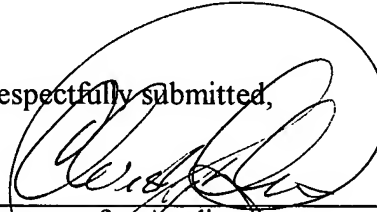
The JP '376 and JP '064 references are cited at page 2 of the specification, and are believed pertinent for the reasons set forth therein. English translations of the Japanese documents are not presently available to Applicant's attorney, but may be provided if required by the Examiner. An English abstract for each of the JP '376 and '064 references obtained from a commercial database also is enclosed as an English language statement of relevance for the Examiner's consideration.

### CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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